

*In response to the FCC Public Notice -- WP Docket 10-54 -- seeking comments if the Commission "should grant AHA's request for a blanket waiver of Section 97.113(a)(3) to permit amateur operators who are hospital employees to participate in emergency drills that are conducted by hospitals for accreditation purposes and that are not government-sponsored. "Section 97.113(a)(3) specifically prohibits amateur stations from transmitting communications "in which the station licensee or control operator has a pecuniary interest, including communications on behalf of an employer."*

Please grant AHA's request for a blanket waiver of Section 97.113(a)(3) to permit amateur operators who are hospital employees to participate in emergency drills that are conducted by hospitals. There should be no limitations on the number of exercises conducted per year. In the event of an actual emergency, hospital employees who are amateur operators should be permitted to use the amateur radio. Hospital employees should not utilize Amateur radio for day to day operations.

Sincerely,

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